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SUBJECT: GOP STATEMENT ON THE MIDDLE EAST

1. THE MFA AUGUST 30 ISSUED A STATEMENT WELCOMING THE "LATEST INITIATIVES TAKEN BY EGYPT AND SYRIA AGAINST RECENT ISRAELI MOVES TO RECOGNIZE ILLEGAL JEWISH SETTLEMENTS ON THE WEST BANK AND THE GAZA". THE STATEMENT SAID THAT THE ISRAELI ACTIONS WERE "WHOLLY ILLEGAL", "FLOUT" UNSC RESOLUTION 242, AND "CAST A DARK SHADOW ON THE POSSIBILITIES FOR PEACE". NOTING THAT IT "IS THE DUTY OF ISLAMIC NATIONS TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN DEFEATING ZIONIST DESIGN" THE MFA WELCOMED THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL TO DISCUSS THE RECENT "ISRAELI MOVES" AS AN AGENDA ITEM AT THE UPCOMING UNGA, AND THE SYRIAN INITIATIVE TO CONVENE AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS IN NEW YORK DURING THE UNGA.

2. COMMENT: THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT HAS GENERALLY STUDIOUSLY SHIED AWAY FROM PUBLIC PRONOUNCEMENTS ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PREFERRING TO DEVOTE ITS ENERGIES TO DOMESTIC MATTERS. WE ASSUME THAT, GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF SPOTLESS ISLAMIC CREDENTIALS TO PAKISTAN, THE GOP FOUND THIS AN OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO REITERATE ITS COMMITMENT TO THE CAUSE. HUMMEL

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